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In re Application of :
Ma et al. :
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), filed September 20, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to submit Issue Fee Transmittal (PTOL-85b) in a timely manner in reply to the Notice of Allowance mailed June 2, 2004, which set a statutory period for reply of three (3) months. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on September 3, 2004.

Petitioner has met the requirements to revive the above-identified application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b).

The issue fee and publication fee previously submitted on January 29, 2004 will now be applied towards the issue fee and publication fee required by the new Notice of Allowance.

This matter is now being referred to the Publishing Division for processing into a patent.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3282.

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